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**Commissioner for Patents**

The amendment filed on June 16, 2006 is NON-Compliant for the reasons set out in the attached O/A. Applicants' are given one (1) month to submit a proper response, which time period can be extended under 37 CFR 1.136 (a).

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### ***Response to Amendment***

Applicants' amendment filed on June 16, 2006 has been entered and forwarded to the examiner on June 18, 2006.

Therefore claims 22,28,29,30,41,47,48 and 52 as amended by the amendment and claims 23-27, 31-33, 42-46 and 49-51 as previously recited are currently pending in the Application.

Claims 1-21 and 34-40 were previously cancelled.

The reply filed on June 16, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Applicants' have attempted to amend claim 22 to delete several comas ( e.g. lines 2-3 etc.of preamble) by a dash above the comma which is specifically prohibited

- (ii) The full text of any replacement paragraph with markings to show all the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph. The text of any added subject matter must be shown by underlining the added text. The text of any deleted matter must be shown by strike-through except that double brackets placed before and after the deleted characters may be used to show deletion of five or fewer consecutive characters. The text of any deleted subject matter must be shown by being placed within double brackets if strikethrough cannot be easily perceived;  
by 37 CFR 1.121 ( b) ( i) (ii) and section 121 in general . ( see below).

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. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steven H. Rao whose telephone number is ( 571)272-1718. The examiner can normally be reached on 8.00 to 5.00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Fahmy Wael can be reached on (571) 272-1714. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.



Steven H. Rao

Patent Examiner

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